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TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1942

Town Clerk

EFFIE T. SWINDELL	Term expires 1943

Selectmen

JOHN M. MORAN	Term expires 1943
SYLVESTER R. DEAN	Term expires 1944
DONALD A. RUTHERFORD	Term expires 1945

Assessors

CARL M. WHEELER	Term expires 1943
WINTHROP H. BOYD	Term expires 1944
JOHN MORAN	Term expires 1945

Board of Public Welfare

DONALD A. RUTHERFORD	Term expires 1943
ALICE DANIELS	Term expires 1944
DONALD AGAR	Term expires 1945

School Committee

MARY P. CRAWFORD	Term expires 1943
LEONE B. DANIELS	Term expires 1944
GEORGE W. DEAN	Term expires 1945

Library Trustees

DONALD A. RUTHERFORD	Term expires 1943
MINNIE A. NEWTON	Term expires 1944
FLORENCE E. BOTHWELL	Term expires 1945

Cemetery Committee

CLARENCE L. GRIMES	Term expires 1943
WALTER A. WOOD	Term expires 1944
ARTHUR WEBB	Term expires 1945

ONE-YEAR TERMS

Moderator

GEORGE W. DEAN

Tax Collector

CLARA A. LINCOLN

Treasurer

CLARA A. LINCOLN

Tree Warden

WILLIAM ZUKUS

Auditor

RALPH I. DANIELS

Fence Viewers

CHESTER ROOD FRANCIS TROY
ALFRED B. MORSE

Measurers of Wood and Bark

LUDWICK SZCZUKA HENRY BUTLER
DONALD C. AGAR

Measurers of Lumber

WALTER A. WOODIS ALFRED B. MORSE
SYLVESTER R. DEAN

Field Drivers

LEONARD HARDY J. FRED ALLEN
JEROME MURPHY

Constables

DONALD C. AGAR WILLIAM ZUKUS
ROBERT C. DWELLY WALTER S. WOOD
LEONARD A. HARDY GEORGE H. PARKMAN

APPOINTED

Cattle Inspector

HENRY W. STONE

Meat and Provisions Inspector

HENRY W. STONE

Sealer of Weights and Measures
DONALD A. RUTHERFORD

Fire Warden
RALPH I. DANIELS

Moth Superintendent
WALTER B. GREEN

Undertaker, Burial Agent
ARTHUR WEBB

Janitor of Hall
WINTHROP H. BOYD

Janitor of Library
CARL M. WHEELER

Dog Officer
DONALD AGAR

School Superintendent
JAMES R. CHILDS

List of Jurors for 1943

DONALD A. RUTHERFORD, Carpenter
FRANCIS A. TROY, Highway Employee
PETER J. WHITE, Carpenter
WILLIAM ZUKUS, Truck Driver
OLIVER W. L. WILKINS, JR., Truck Driver
WORTH J. PARSONS, Salesman
CHARLES R. DEAN, Machinist

Report of
TOWN CLERK

VITAL RECORDS FOR 1942

BIRTHS

Jan. 5—Betty Ann Wilder, daughter of John H. and Susie A. (Flagg) Wilder.

Feb. 19—Robert George Stone, son of George F. W. and Ethel (Dennis) Stone.

Mar. 26—Mary Boyd Troy, daughter of Francis A. and Ann (Daniels) Troy.

Apr. 1—Richard Prescott Adams, son of William Prescott and Lena B. (Smith) Adams.

May 5—Gladys Crawford, daughter of Roscoe and Marguerite (Donovan) Crawford.

May 13—Lucille Bruce Crawford, daughter of Alexander B. and Vivian E. (Loring) Crawford.

June 12—Lily Cynthia Nahkala, daughter of Weikko I. and Ruth E. (Carlson) Nahkala.

June 20—Susan Ruth Parsons, daughter of Worth J. and Mary H. (McCord) Parsons.

Aug. 21—William Neal Wareing, son of William N. and Shirley T. (Bears) Wareing.

Oct. 30—Frank Ernest Cole, son of Walter E. and Evelyn L. (Carlson) Cole.

Dec. 9—Noreen Irna Sibley, daughter of Howard and Irna (Karp) Sibley.

Marriages

Jan. 17—Howard A. Lackey, Oakham, and Rose Zoppo, Holden.

June 17—Josiah M. Hardy, Oakham, and Irma R. Troy, Oakham.

June 25—Frederick G. Stone, Oakham, and Maud M. Nimtz, Hardwick.

Dec. 31—Everett L. Bullard, Barre, and Gertrude A. Woodland, Hubbardston.

DEATHS

	Y.	M.	D.
Feb. 20—Jessie Munroe McIntosh	81	10	5
Sept. 29—John Williams Dwelly	58	11	
Nov. 27—Edgar O. Crawford	78	2	2
Dec. 14—Josephine Etta Bullard	76	1	29

NON-RESIDENTS BURIED IN OAKHAM

Jan. 2—Frederick Matthews, Orangeburg, N. J.	84		
Mar. 30—Mrs. Mary Melvin Boyd North Brookfield.	84	8	27
May 26—Mrs. Mary W. Edson North Brookfield.	67		
Nov. 12—Henry Dexter Bullard, Medford	83	3	24
Nov. 27—Mrs. Ella Willard, North Brookfield	55		6

DOG LICENSES

72	Males @ $2.00	$144 00	
21	Females @ $5.00	105 00	
16	Spays @ $2.00	32 00	
0	Kennels		
			$ 281 00

SPORTING LICENSES

20	Fishing @ $2.00	$ 40 00	
27	Hunting @ $2.00	54 00	
33	Sporting @ $3.25	107 25	
6	Women's and Minors' @ $1.25	7 50	
2	Duplicates @ 50c	1 00	
9	Free (Over 70)		
			$ 209 75

Respectfully submitted,

EFFIE T. SWINDELL,

Town Clerk

Report of
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

	Town Clerk		
Paid	Effie T. Swindell		$ 85 00
	Selectmen		
Paid	Sylvester R. Dean	$ 100 00	
	John M. Moran	75 00	
	Donald Rutherford	75 00	$ 250 00
	Assessors		
Paid	John M. Moran	$ 125 00	
	Carl Wheeler	75 00	
	Winthrop Boyd	75 00	$ 275 00
	Treasurer and Collector		
Paid	Clara Lincoln		$ 350 00
	Auditor		
Paid	Ralph Daniels		$ 75 00
	Moderator		
Paid	John P. Day		$ 3 00
	Registrars of Voters		
Paid	Effie T. Swindell	$ 22 00	
	John M. Moran	4 00	
	Donald Rutherford	10 00	
	Sylvester R. Dean	4 00	$ 40 00
	Ballot Clerks and Tellers		
Paid	Alice Green	$ 11 00	
	Evelyn Grimes	11 00	
	Laura Snay	11 00	
	Stephana Kowal	3 00	
	Mrs. John Bechan	4 00	
	Margaret Bechan	4 00	$ 44 00
			$ 1,122 00

Appropriation $1,125.00

Town Officers' Supplies

Paid	For Supplies	$	128 14
	Appropriation $150.00		

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Paid	Donald A. Rutherford	$	10 00
	Appropriation $10.00		

Dog Officer

Paid	Donald C. Agar	$	15 00
	Appropriation $15.00		

Police Department

Paid	Donald C. Agar	$	40 10
	Appropriation $50.00		

Memorial Day

Paid	Mary Crawford	$	25 00
	Appropriation $25.00		

Gypsy Moth

Paid	For Suppression of Moths	$	122 40
	Appropriation $280.00		

Street Lights

Paid	Gardner Electric Light Co.	$	384 00
	Appropriation $384.00		

Abatements

Paid	Excise Tax Abatements	$	3 37

Printing

Paid	Barre Gazette	$	84 05
	Appropriation $150.00		

Bonding Town Officers

Paid	Healy Bros.	$	39 00
	Appropriation $50.00		

Schools

Paid	For Support of Schools	$	10,599 81
	Appropriation $11,500.00		

Fire Department

Paid	Fighting Fires and Supplies		$ 46 08

Cemetery Department

Paid	Care of Cemeteries		$ 320 67
	Appropriation $400.00		

Cemetery Trust Fund

Paid	North Brookfield Savings Bank For John Allen Lot		$ 100 00

Care of Memorial Hall

Paid	Winthrop Boyd, Janitor	$ 120 00	
	Gardner Electric Light Co.	61 59	
	Ralph Daniels, Cleaning Chimney	6 00	
	W. H. Boyd, Labor on Chimney	5 00	$ 192 59
	Appropriation $300.00		

Board of Welfare

Paid	For Support of Poor		$ 307 33
	Appropriation $800.00		

Town Clock

Paid	Electric Time Clock Co.		$ 260 00
	Appropriation $260.00		

State and County Tax

Paid	State Tax	$ 1,050 00	
	State Parks and Reservation	15 77	
	Auditing (Town Accounts)	205 19	
	County Tax	633 97	
	Dog Tax	264 00	
	County Hospital Tax	243 66	$ 2,412 59

Library

Paid	For Support of Library		$ 618 91
	Appropriation $400.00 and Dog Tax Refund $265.03		

Employees Insurance

Paid	Frank A. Smith & Son		$ 574 97
	Appropriation $600.00		

Insurance — Fire

Paid	Smiley Kingsbury, Tool House $	17 70	
	Ira E. Irish, Inc., Memorial Hall	153 68	
	Smiley Kingsbury, Ins. Trucks	52 20	$ 223 58
	Appropriation $255.00		

Insurance on Old Town Hall

Paid	Frank A. Smith & Son, ¼		$ 15 15
	Appropriation $15.15		

Inspection of Animals

Paid	Henry W. Stone		$ 41 00
	Appropriation $35.00		
	Transferred from Reserve Fund $6.00		

Inspection of Meats

Paid	Henry W. Stone		$ 10 50
	Appropriation $15.00		
			$ 3,896 70

ROADS

Chapter 81

Paid	Labor and Machinery	$ 6,568 45	
	Materials	1,481 23	$ 8,049 68
	Town Appropriation $1,150.00		
	State Allotment $69.00 — $8,050.00		

Chapter 90 Maintenance

Paid	Labor and Machinery	$ 2,045 73	
	Material	1,670 50	$ 3,716 23
	Town Appropriation $1,400.00		
	County Allotment $1,200.00		
	State Allotment $1,200.00—$3,800.00		

Chapter 90 Construction (1941 Cont'd.)

Paid	Labor and Machinery	$ 149 70	
	Material	76 30	$ 226 00

1941 Balance $227.83

Opening and Sanding Roads

Paid	Labor and Machinery	$ 1,617 20

Appropriation $2,000.00

Machinery Account

Paid	for Supplies and Repairs	$ 2,312 81

Allotment $3,000.00

Aid to Dependent Children

Paid	Aid to Dependent Children	$ 1,009 98

Appropriation $1,100.00

Old Age Assistance

Paid	for Old Age Assistance	$ 6,083 60

Town Appropriation $4,000.00
Federal Allotment $2,083.60

Old Age Assistance Administration

Paid	For Postage and Supplies	$ 3 98

Tree Warden

Paid	Tree Trimming	$ 15 20

Miscellaneous

Paid	Selectmen's Association, Due	$ 6 00	
	Town Clerk Association, Due	1 00	
	Breirly Lombard, Rope	3 08	
	Frank A. Smith & Son, Ins. on Weights and Measures	25 60	
	Henry W. Stone, Cleaning Stables	7 50	

Jenkins Robinson	9 00	$ 52 18
		$ 40,783 10

Reserve Fund

Transferred to Inspection of Animals	$	6 00
Appropriation $400.00		

JOHN M. MORAN,
SYLVESTER R. DEAN,
DONALD A. RUTHERFORD,
Selectmen of Oakham

Report of
TOWN TREASURER

FOR THE YEAR 1942

	Receipts	Paid Out
Jan. 1, Cash on Hand	$ 14,899 03	
Abatement for Excise Tax from State and Federal		$ 3 37
Aid to Dependent Children	844 46	1,009 98
Bonding		39 00
Board of Public Welfare		307 33
Paid Back on Merchandise	$ 13 54	
Cemeteries, Annual Care	42 00	$ 320 67
Interest on Perpetual Care	147 00	
Received for a Permanent Fund	100 00	
Care of Memorial Hall, Grange Rentals	29 50	$ 192 59
Com. of Mass., Loss of Taxes	158 70	
Com. of Mass., Inspection of Animals	20 50	
Com. of Mass., Tuition and Transportation of Children	446 86	
Com. of Mass., Acts of 1941	2,872 64	
Com. of Mass., Highways	8,558 78	
Com. of Mass., Supt. of Small Towns	146 04	
Com. of Mass., Met. Water Supply	1,463 40	
Com. of Mass., High School Trans.	2,279 70	
Com. of Mass., High School Tuition	2,316 18	
Com. of Mass., Business Cor. Tax	224 10	
Com. of Mass., School	1,999 50	
Com. of Mass., Income Tax	1,657 50	
Com. of Mass., Business Cor. Tax	108 72	
Com. of Mass., State Tax		$ 1,050 00
Com. of Mass., Parks and Reservations		15 77

Com. of Mass., Auditing			205 19
Worcester County, Roads	$ 1,351 55		
Worcester County, 1941 Dog Tax Refund	261 63		
From Town Clerk, 1942 Tax	264 00		
Paid County Treasurer		$	264 00
Worcester County Treasurer, Tax			633 97
Worcester County Treasurer, Assessment T. B. Hospital			243 66
Dog Officer			15 00
Fire Dept.			46 08
Insurance			238 73
Insurance, Employees			574 97
Smiley Kingsbury, Ins. on Trucks			52 20
Miscellaneous, Ice Cream Permit	$ 1 00		
Machinery, Sold to Mr. Fullam	20 00		
Jamara Bros., Use of Tractor and Bull Dozer	168 00		
John L. Smith, Balance on Court Fine	58		
Revolver Permits, 1941 and 1942	6 00		
Library, Interest for Books	100 58	$	618 91
For 1941: Fines and Sale of Magazines	8 69		
Memorial Day		$	25 00
Electric Clock			260 00
Machinery, Purchase and Maintenance			2,312 81
Machinery, Rental	$ 2,131 15		
Moth Suppression		$	122 40
Old Age Assistance			5,966 51
Old Age Assistance, Administration	$ 81 72	$	3 98
Old Age Assistance, Out of Town			116 69
From Taunton	$ 115 89		
From Rutland	118 50		
From Federal	2,452 62		
From State	1,922 86		
Opening Roads and Sanding		$	1,617 20
Police			40 10

Printing			84 05
Street Lights			384 00
Sealer of Weights and Measures	$ 3 20		10 00
Schools			10,599 81
Town Officers			1,122 00
Town Officers, Supplies			128 14
Road, Chapter 81, Material			1,482 23
Road, Chapter 81, Labor			6,568 45
90—Ex. Old Turnpike Road			226 00
Chapter 90, Maintenance, Labor			2,045 73
Chapter 90, Maintenance, Material			1,670 50
Tree Warden			15 20
Inspection of Meats			10 50
Inspection of Cattle			35 00
Inspection of Dogs			6 00
Worcester County Trust Co. In Full on Certificate	$ 570 00		
Deposited in North Brookfield Savings Bank		$	100 00
Taxes and Interest	$ 15,927 24		
Total	$ 63,722 88		
Balance on Hand		$	22,939 78
		$	63,722 88

Respectfully submitted,

CLARA A. LINCOLN,

Treasurer

Report of
SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

AMOUNT EXPENDED ON ROADS IN THE TOWN OF OAKHAM IN 1942

Chapter 81 Allotment	$ 8,050 00
Chapter 90 Maintenance Allotment	3,800 00
Chapter 90 Construction ext. 1941	227 83
Total	$ 12,077 83

AMOUNT EXPENDED ON EACH ROAD

No. Road	Amount
1—North Brookfield	$ 714 25
2—New Braintree	634 80
3—East Hill	199 80
4—Hubbardston	30 00
5—Caldwell	28 00
6—Pine Plain	40 00
7—Poverty Square	24 00
8—Coldbrook	898 20
9—Wares Corner	332 94
10—Robinson	57 20
11—Parmenter	53 00
12—Sanders	27 00
13—South	99 43
14—Spencer	1,600 08
15—Flint	26 20
16—Bechan	365 73
17—Lupa	269 50
18—Crawford	1808 68
19—Whitehall	20 00
20—Old Turnpike Extension	21 55

21—Old Turnpike	847 29	
22—Rutland	975 29	
23—Swindell	19 00	
24—Hapgood	198 48	
25—Sargents Lane	15 60	
26—Stone	142 14	
27—Rutherford	224 43	
28—Lincoln	266 88	
29—Maple Street	101 60	
30—Barre	267 97	
31—Daniels		
32—Bullard	168 70	
33—Edson	93 50	
34—Happy Hollow	25 00	
35—Hunt	168 24	
36—Adams	364 84	
37—George Lane	160 95	
38—J. Gaffney	308 67	
39—Scott	114 00	
40—Crocker Nye	215 11	
41—Whitney	32 00	
42—Gilboy Road		
43—Common Drive	16 00	
44—Town Hall Drive	16 00	
45—Town Garage Drive		
Total Allotment		$ 12,077 83
Total Road Expenditure		11,991 91
Balance		$ 85 92

Chapter 81 Maintenance

Chapter 81 State Allotment	$ 6,900 00
Chapter 81 Town Allotment	1,150 00
Total	$ 8,050 00

Expended on Labor	$ 4,193 32	
Expended on Machinery Rental	2,375 13	
Expended on Material	1,481 23	
Total Expenditure	$ 8,049 68	
Balance		$ 32

Chapter 90 Maintenance

Town Allotment		$ 1,400 00
State Allotment		1,200 00
County Allotment		1,200 00
Total		$ 3,800 00
Expended on Labor	$ 1,410 45	
Expended on Machinery Rental	635 28	
Expended on Material	1,670 50	
Total Expenditure	$ 3,716 23	
Balance		$ 83 77

Chapter 90 Construction—Old Turnpike Road Extension of 1941

Amount		$ 227 83
Expended on Labor	$ 134 70	
Expended on Machinery Rental	15 00	
Expended on Material	76 30	
Total Expenditure	$ 226 00	
Balance		$ 1 83

Opening and Sanding of Roads

Town Allotment		$ 2,000 00
Expended on Labor and Machinery Rental and Material	$ 1,617 20	
Balance		$ 382 80

Machinery Fund

1941 Balance on Machinery Fund		$ 1,160 24
Taken in on Machinery Rental 1942		2,131 15
Total		$ 3,291 39
Transferred to Machinery Account	$ 3,000 00	
Maintenance and Purchasing	2,312 81	
Balance	$ 687 19	
Balance in Fund		$ 978 58

Amount Expended for Labor on Highways

H. N. Butler	$ 1,419 70
Alfred Morse	59 70
Chester Rood	5 00
Edwin Bullard	19 00
Milton Bullard	546 80
Leonard Hardy	6 50
Bradford Wilbur	46 10
Howard Dean	18 20
Russell Dean	5 00
James Mulvey	3 50
Frank Sarguinas	21 25
B. J. Uracuis	10 00
Samuel Petraconne	3 50
Hiram Bullard	2 40
Walter Green	37 80
Herman Parkman	949 50
P. J. Ryan	791 00
Thomas Troy	3 60
Percy Wilbur	902 70
Robert Briggs	486 30
S. Walter Tucker	784 00
James Parsons	2 00
Harold Gray	188 40

Walter Cole	4 50	
Sumner Crawford	20 00	
Willard Holden	20 00	
Victor Smischinski	22 40	
Total		$ 6,278 85

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY N. BUTLER,
Superintendent of Streets

Report of
TAX COLLECTOR

1937 TAX				
Balance on 1937 Real Estate Tax	$	3 50		
Interest		75	$	4 25
Cash Received			$	4 25
1938 TAX				
Balance Due on 1938 Tax, Real Estate	$	6 30		
Interest		45	$	6 75
Abated	$	3 50		
To Cash		3 25	$	6 75
1939 TAX				
Balance Due on Taxes	$	10 21		
Interest		9 46	$	19 67
Abatement	$	7 75		
To Cash		11 92	$	19 67
1940 TAX				
Balance Due Jan. 1, 1942	$	1,554 53		
Interest		89 99	$	1,644 52
Land Taken for the Town	$	27 50		
Abatement on Personal Property		5 91		
To Cash		1,611 11	$	1,644 52
Balance Due on Poll Taxes	$	12 00		
Interest		40	$	12 40
Abatement	$	8 00		
To Cash		4 40	$	12 40

1941 TAXES

Balance Due Jan. 1, 1942	$ 4,227 11	
Interest	71 05	$ 4,298 16
Cash Received	$ 2,807 46	
Land Taken	30 00	
Abatement	33 00	
	$ 2,870 46	
Unpaid Jan. 1, 1943	1,427 70	$ 4,297 16

POLL TAXES—1941

Jan. 1, 1942, Balance Due	$ 24 00	
Interest	20	$ 24 20
Abatements	$ 10 00	
To Cash	8 20	
Unpaid Jan. 1, 1943	6 00	$ 24 20

EXCISE TAX—1941

Jan. 1, 1942, Uncollected	$ 6 00	
Warrants, Jan. 6, 1942	21 91	
Interest	05	$ 27 96
Abatements	$ 2 00	
To Cash	25 91	$ 27 91

1942

1942 Poll, Commitment	$ 330 00	
Interest	40	
Demand	35	$ 330 75
Cash	$ 280 75	

Abatements on Polls, Age over 70 Yrs.	28 00	
Abatements	8 00	
Unpaid	14 00	$ 330 75

EXCISE TAX FOR 1942

Warrants	$ 1,035 78	
Interest	2 22	$ 1,038 00
To Cash	$ 1,002 69	
Abatement	4 20	
Unpaid Jan. 1, 1943	31 11	$ 1,038 00

1942 TAXES

Warrants, Personal Tax	$ 4,527 12	
Warrants, Real Estate	8,797 20	
Interest	6 06	$ 13,330 38
To Cash	10,157 50	
Abatements	24 00	
Unpaid Jan. 1, 1943	$ 3,148 88	$ 13,330 38

Respectfully submitted,

CLARA A. LINCOLN,

Tax Collector

Report of
BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Town Appropriation		$ 800.00
Board of Public Welfare, Boston	$ 160 71	
Board of Public Welfare, Brookline	24 00	
Butler's Store, Provisions	65 36	
Medical Aid	36 00	
Magay & Barron, Glasses	8 00	
Donald C. Agar	1 00	
Alice E. Daniels, Clerk	15 00	
Expenses	2 00	
Postage, Telephone and Fillers	76	
		$ 306 83
		493 17
Refunds		13 54
		$ 506 71

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD C. RUTHERFORD,
Chairman

ALICE E. DANIELS, Clerk

DONALD C. AGAR

Old Age Assistance

Town Appropriation		$ 4,000 00	
U. S. Grant in 1942		2,612 12	
Commonwealth of Massachusetts		1,889 68	
Received from Rutland		118 50	
Received from Taunton		115 89	
			$ 8,736 19
Paid to Recipients:			
Case No. 1	360 00		
Case No. 2	360 00		
Case No. 3	195 00		
Case No. 4	267 50		
Case No. 5	440 00		
Case No. 6	440 00		
Case No. 7	80 00		
Case No. 8	398 00		
Case No. 9	340 00		
Case No. 10	360 00		
Case No. 11	300 00		
Case No. 12	440 00		
Case No. 13	364 00		
Case No. 14	356 00		
Case No. 15	583 66		
Case No. 16	390 00		
Paid to Other Town	116 69		
Medical Aid	217 75		
		$ 6,008 60	
Alice E. Daniels, Clerk		75 00	
			$ 6,083 60
			$ 2,652 59

Administration

Jan. 1, 1942 Balance on Hand	$185 95		
U. S. Grant 1942	87 03		
		$ 272 98	
Paid for Postage and Telephone	$ 1 48		
Expenses	2 50		
		$ 3 98	
Balance			$ 269 00

Aid to Dependent Children

Town Appropriation	$1,100 00		
Com. of Mass.	844 21		
		$ 1,944 21	
Cash Paid to A. D. C.	$ 934 26		
Medical Aid	65 00		
Magay & Barron, Glasses	10 00		
Postage and Telephone	72		
		$ 1,009 98	
			$ 934 23

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD C. RUTHERFORD,
Chairman
ALICE E. DANIELS, Clerk
DONALD C. AGAR

Report of
FOBES MEMORIAL LIBRARY

REPORT OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES FOR 1941

Town Appropriation		$ 400 00
Dog Tax		265 03
		$ 665 03

EXPENDITURES

Carl M. Wheeler, Janitor	$ 132 00	
Sara Butler, Librarian	75 00	
Ruth Shepard, Assistant Librarian	56 25	
Vera Dean, Assistant Librarian	18 75	
Gardner Electric Light	16 38	
Arthur White, Magazines	26 35	
E. E. McCarthy Co., Coke	173 60	
Eugene Saunders, Wood	12 00	
Denholm & McKay Co., Books	10 37	
Quincy Book Binding Co., Books	85 21	
M. A. Newton, Books	4 50	
Sara Butler, P. O. Box Rent, Merchandise	90	
Brierly Lombard, Rope for Flag	2 00	
Leroy Holdroyd, Repairs on Lawn Mower	2 00	
Remington Rand, Catalogue Cards	3 60	
		$ 618 91
Unexpended Balance		$ 46 12
Received for Fines for 1942		$ 6 54

Respectfully submitted,

MINNIE A. NEWTON, Chairman
DONALD RUTHERFORD
FLORENCE E. BOTHWELL,
Trustees of Fobes Memorial Library

Report of
LIBRARIAN

To the Trustees of Fobes Memorial Library:

Cash Received from Fines $6 54

One hundred and eight books have been added this year. 105 by purchase, 3 by gift.

Donors, Mrs. Josephine Wright, Mrs. George Dean, Mrs. Andrew Riffenburg.

Circulation of Books	2385
Circulation of Magazines	310

We have in the reading room the following magazines:

American, Better Homes & Gardens, Country Gentleman, Etude, Good Housekeeping, Woman's Home Companion, Ladies' Home Journal, National Geographic, Open Road For Boys, Time, Popular Mechanics, Saturday Evening Post.

Respectfully submitted,

SARA E. BUTLER,
Librarian

NEW BOOKS ADDED IN 1942

Dave Dawson at Dunkirk	Fox Prowls
Dave Dawson With the R.A.F.	River of No Return
Natalie and the Brewsters	Annals of the Poets
White Cliffs	Heidi
These Bright Young Dreams	Berlin Diary
Snatch	River Rises
Week End Murders	Caps For Sale
Wonder Stick	Days of '49
Skiing	Saratoga Trunk
Book of Assurance	Sue Ellen
Nation Terrorized	Nurse Into Woman
Joy and Her Chums	Wild Hearts
101 First Field Artillery	Tree of Death
Rebecca	Flame of the Border

Skinny Gets Fat
Thesaurus of Humor
Cartooning for Everybody
Fundamentals of Leathercraft
Popular Quiz Book
It's Fun to Build Things
Farmer's Shop Book
Just David
The Keys of the Kingdom
The Hooked Rug
Four Years in Paradise
The Law Man of Lonesome River
His Wife, the Doctor
The Wyoming Raiders
Elizabeth, My Daughter
Windswept
The Dog Book
Only One Storm
The Kidnap Murder Case
The Venables
Between Two Autumns
Random Harvest
City of Illusion
Swiss Family Robinson
The Mystery of Seven Gables
Guarding the Border
Bright Intervals
Little Women
The Hermit of Far End
Following the Ball
Early American Wooden Ware
Dry Gulch
The Frightened Man
Silas Marner
Galusha, the Magnificent
Stars in Your Eyes
The Trail of the Ragged Fox
Punch and Judy
Run With the Hare
Mississippi Belle
Anne of Windy Poplars
Swift Waters
Every Woman's Complete Guide to Homemaking
Columbia
Little Red Riding Hood
Little Animal Stories
The Sleeping Beauty
Danny's Secret
Claudia
River Out of Eden
All Sails Set
Two-Way Passage
One Foot in Heaven
Westward the Course
Dragon Seed
Murder With Southern Hospitality
Astra
Flame of Forgotten Guns
Love Has Wings
Wild Is the River
Lance Falls in Love
Don Winslow of the Navy
Gunsmoke Galoot
The Winds of God
The Long Riders
The Deadly Sunshade
Northland Footprints
Single Ladies
Mother Goose Nursery Rhymes
Little Red's Adventure
Little Boy Blue
Peter Puckle
Three Little Pigs
The Keepers of the Trail
Peter and Anna
Charlie Chan Carries On
The Silver Flute
The Hungry Dog
Child Care and Training
Rosicrucian

Report of
CEMETERY COMMITTEE

RECEIPTS

Town Appropriation	$	400 00
Perpetual Care		147 00
Annual Care		42 00
Total	$	589 00

EXPENDITURES

P. J. White	$	264 70
Milton Bullard		26 10
W. H. Boyd		9 90
Arthur Webb, Expenses		3 77
Leroy Holdroyd		7 20
Glen Valley		9 00
	$	320 67

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR WEBB

Report of
MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

Statute Liability, Town	$	180 00
Amount Expended by Town		122 40
Town Appropriation		280 00
Balance Left	$	157 60

State Financed None 1942

WALTER B. GREEN,
Superintendent of Moth Suppression

Report of
TOWN AUDITOR

This is to certify that I have audited all bills approved by the Selectmen. I have also inspected the books of the Tax Collector, Town Treasurer, Town Clerk, Library, and find them correct.

RALPH I. DANIELS,
Auditor

Report of
SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1942

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

George W. Dean, Chairman	Term expires 1945
Mrs. Leone B. Daniels, Secretary	Term expires 1944
Miss Mary P. Crawford	Term expires 1943

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

James R. Childs	Holden 12 or 209

SCHOOL NURSE

Evelyn C. Butler, R. N.	Holden 265 or 444

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Leroy E. Mayo, M. D.	Holden 89-2

SUPERVISORS

Elizabeth S. Hagar, Music	Holden 175
Winifred M. Bond, Drawing	Holden 429-2

ATTENDANCE OFFICER

Donald Agar	Oakham 11-12

JANITOR

Winthrop H. Boyd	Oakham 5

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Winter Term—8 weeks	Jan. 4, 1943 to Feb. 26, 1943
Spring Term—8 weeks	Mar. 8, 1943 to Apr. 30, 1943
Summer Term—8 weeks	May 10, 1943 to June 18, 1943
Fall Term—16 weeks	Sept. 8, 1943 to Dec. 22, 1943
Winter Term—8 weeks	Jan. 3, 1944 to Feb. 25, 1944

HOLIDAYS

January 1, February 22, April 19, May 31, Labor Day, October 12, November 11, Thanksgiving Day and the day following.

Report of
SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Appropriation for the Year	$11,500 00	
Expenditures for the Year	10,599 81	
Unexpended Balance		$ 900 19
Expenditures for the Year	$10,599 81	
Credit from State Returns	7,409 16	
Actual Cost to Town		$ 3,190 65

Receipts

General School Fund, Part 1	$ 537 50	
General School Fund, Part 2	1,999 50	
School Superintendent	146 04	
High School Transportation	2,279 70	
High School Tuition	2,316 18	
State Wards	130 24	
	$ 7,409 16	

Expenditures

Teachers:		
Miss Florence E. Bothwell	$ 1,100 10	
Miss Ethel M. Braman	1,100 10	
Helen S. Harding	45 00	
Miss Elizabeth S. Hagar	119 32	
Miss Winifred M. Bond	107 59	
		$ 2,472 11
Superintendent:		
James R. Childs, Salary	$ 267 76	

James R. Childs, Travel	49 83	
		$ 317 59
Health:		
Mrs. Evelyn C. Butler	$ 129 26	
Dr. Leroy Mayo	15 00	
Holden Clinic	10 00	
		$ 154 26
Grade Transportation:		
Leonard A. Hardy	$ 1,482 00	
John O'Donnell	699 96	
		$ 2,181 96
Janitor:		
Winthrop H. Boyd	$ 282 00	
		$ 282 00
Fuel:		
Prescott Adams	$ 216 55	
Winthrop Boyd	8 00	
		$ 224 55
Miscellaneous:		
Books	$ 72 42	
Supplies	83 91	
Repairs	17 95	
Janitor's Supplies	32 87	
Gardner Electric Light Co.	40 71	
Holden School Dept.	1 50	
W. A. Henning	2 00	
Marjorie Hodges	7 50	
Finan's Express	1 50	
Augusta M. Dean	5 00	

Donald Agar	4 50	
		$ 269 86
School Committee:		
George W. Dean	$ 10 00	
Mary P. Crawford	10 00	
Leone B. Daniels	25 50	
		$ 45 50
High School Tuition:		
Town of Barre	$ 2,316 18	
		$ 2,316 18
High School Transportation:		
Donald Agar	$ 108 60	
Anthony Bechan	162 00	
Fred Bechan	64 80	
George Briggs	57 00	
Edwin Bullard	97 80	
Sylvester Dean	61 80	
George Dean	96 60	
John Dogul	103 80	
Robert Dwelly	94 20	
Harold Gray	43 20	
Evelyn Grimes	138 60	
Leonard Hardy	147 00	
Matthew Kowal	43 20	
Daniel Leno	28 20	
Worth Parsons	108 00	
Elexina Rossi	68 40	
Chester Showalter	43 20	
Stanley Sieczkarski	252 00	
Laurel Snay	42 60	
Ludwick Szczuka	37 80	
Marguerite Troy	61 20	

138.60
37.80
252.00
428.40

Percy F. Wilbur	106 20	
Oliver Wilkins	145 80	
Raymond Wrin	61 80	
Walter Zelnia	103 20	
John O'Donnell	58 80	
		$ 2,335 80

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE W. DEAN, Chairman
MARY P. CRAWFORD
LEONE B. DANIELS, Secretary
Oakham School Committee

Report of
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Holden, Mass., Dec. 31, 1942

To the School Committee of Oakham:

This report is the forty-third in the series since the formation of the present School Union, and the twenty-fifth by the writer.

It is a privilege to be able to write today, as I have many times in the past, that the work of our schools has been carried on with the same degree of excellence that has always characterized the service of our teachers, but not this year without interruptions. During the twenty-five years that I have been here there has been no time when we have been so profoundly affected by world events. The idea of "schools as usual" is as impossible as that of "business as usual." It is good to note that our teachers and pupils have responded wholeheartedly to the many calls for special effort and special service in the "all-out" for a victory that must come and the new world that must be built. There will be many other calls for service and many sacrifices to be made, but we shall meet them and do our part in training the coming generation in the ways of democracy and the means of preserving it.

Sugar rationing involved the registration of every family with all its members, and of individuals not in a family group. This was followed by gasoline or "mileage" rationing, and more recently fuel oil rationing. All this service was performed by the teachers promptly and efficiently. At the Annual Teachers' Convention in Worcester, Governor Saltonstall said: "The work of you teachers in this time of crisis has been tremendous. You have contributed to the war effort . . . As governor of the state I want to thank you for

your work."

The reports of the Nurse, School Physician and the Supervisors give summaries of their activities. Dr. Mayo has resigned temporarily to enter the service, thus placing heavier duties on the Nurse and the teachers. It is particularly important that parents give special thought and care to the health of the children. There is aready a scarcity of doctors and nurses available for civilian services. In any case of emergency we may call the Holden Clinic, but such calls should be made through the nurse or the teachers. We have planned for the pre-school clinic in the spring.

Our school building and equipment are in good condition and we do not anticipate any unusual difficulty in securing books and supplies.

The children have entered with enthusiasm into the programs for collection of scrap. They sold seeds for victory gardens, and have done some excellent work in the 4-H Clubs. Grace Grimes and Betty Kowal exhibited dresses at the Framingham 4-H Girls' Day program.

Safety pictures were shown and a safety talk given by Officer Knowlton of the Registry of Motor Vehicles.

Our enrolment for the school year was 57 and membership 68, or a slight increase over the previous year. There were 6 in the first grade, and this fall 5 children started in Grade One. The per pupil cost has increased somewhat this year, fixed costs being about the same but the enrolment now only 48. We are most fortunate in having so far escaped the problems which accompany radically changing curricula, the loss of teachers and rising cost of living. The transportation of pupils may need some special study in view of the present government demands.

I want to thank the Committee, the teachers and all

those in the community who have given so generously of their time in support of our schools.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES R. CHILDS,
Superintendent of Schools

REPORT OF THE MUSIC SUPERVISOR

To the Superintendent of Schools:

It is with great pleasure I submit the following report of the progress in the Music Department.

The heading Music includes the following: singing, eurhythmics, rhythm bands, sight reading, theory, and appreciation. Some excellent work has been done in the primary school overcoming potential monotones. The grammar school is showing marked progress in three part singing.

A good example of the ability and interest in music was shown by the production of the musical pageant at graduation. Several who participated in this are now members of high school glee clubs.

Today, more than ever, Music is a necessity. The following is the opinion of one of our Allies:

"The English Government considers music a vital and essential part of war-time emergency measure. Music is recommended for children, as a measure of education and self-expression; for adults it brings encouragement, provides relief from shock and strain and serves as a measure for binding people together in spiritual unity. For all groups music is held vital in giving people something to live for. Music is helping Britain maintain her morale to win the war."

On wings of song let us help to defend and preserve, for ourselves and our posterity, the ideals and practices of our beloved American democracy.

I wish to thank you, the School Committee and the teach-

ers for their assistance and interest and to express my appreciation to the pupils for their splendid cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

ELIZABETH S. HAGAR

REPORT OF THE DRAWING SUPERVISOR

To the Superintendent of Schools:

The work in the Art department this year has covered the care and use of materials, and the subjects of representation, design, space and tone relation, lettering, construction and handcraft, modeling in clay, and art appreciation. Through correlation and efficient cooperation art work becomes "a helping hand, a kind of connecting link that binds all other subjects to it, and makes every study at school more interesting and valuable because we are building for the future as well as for today."

From our foundation program of last year a working and graded outline has been established. A general library of pictures has been started for the Union. By means of Kodachrome slides lessons in art appreciation have been given; appreciation of the things about us in everyday life for the lower grades, and in upper grades a study of the types of art, drawing, painting, color, sculpture, architecture and the crafts.

We have made use of available waste material in our program, posters in the War Effort have been designed, and projects are under way that include the making of maps, charts and various models of housing, etc. Mr. Reynolds, the State Director of Art Education in Massachusetts addressed the teachers of the Union on "Art and the War Today."

In closing I wish to extend my sincere appreciation for your interest and assistance, and to thank the teachers and pupils for their splendid cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

WINIFRED M. BOND

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

To the Superintendent of Schools:

At the close of the year 1942, the routine annual clinics and examinations show the following results:

1. Pre-school clinic—vaccination and examination—4 attended.
2. Tonsil clinic—1 attended.
3. Dental clinic—incompleted—now in operation.
4. Diphtheria immunization—48 attended.
5. Annual physical examinations—no major defects discovered.
6. Monthly sanitary inspections—special reports submitted.
7. Children weighed and measured—1 percent failing to make normal gains.
8. Home calls and conferences—12.

With the entrance of Dr. Mayo, our school physician, into the armed forces, we feel it vitally important that the home and school continue to cooperate in the year to come to maintain the health standards achieved during the past year.

Many homes will feel tremendously the existing conditions, and the health of our children must not be neglected.

A few suggestions are offered to the parents.

1. Do not send a sick child to school.
2. Do not send a child to school who has been in pain, or nauseated the previous night.
3. Remember watery eyes and noses are often forerunners of a communicable disease.
4. Protect other members of your family by promptly isolating the sick child.
5. Do not hesitate to call your family physician if in doubt.
6. Provide simple, nourishing, well-balanced meals for your child.

7. See that your child is adequately dressed for the weather.
8. Remember colds are readily checked if prompt treatment is begun—bed rest, forced liquids and isolation are important.
9. Transportation of a sick child to his home constitutes a serious problem. Be prepared to do your part.
10. Your child's teacher is interested in the health of her entire classroom. Notify the teacher of your child's absence. The teacher will be watchful of like symptoms in other children.
11. Send an explanatory note to the teacher following absence. Determination of a child's fitness to participate in a full day's routine can then be made.
12. Secure from your family physician or local Board of Health, the necessary certificate for the child to return to school following a communicable disease. No child will be admitted without one.

The health of the child in the school and the community is important. We will do our part. Will you?

To the teachers, the janitor and all who have made the health program for the past year pleasant and effective, I wish to express my sincere appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

EVELYN E. BUTLER, R. N.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

To the Superintendent of Schools:

The following is my report as School Physician in this Union during the past year.

In the Spring of 1942 the vaccination clinics and the examinations of pre-school children were held in each school throughout the district. At the same time the school buildings were inspected for sanitation. Diphtheria clinics were held in Rutland by the State Board of Health, and in Holden they were conducted by Dr. Crane and myself under the

auspices of the local Board of Health. In October the children were examined in each school of the district, and the buildings were again inspected. The children seem to be in unusually good health this Fall, and we have been fortunate in not having any major epidemics of contagious diseases.

Respectfully submitted,

LEROY E. MAYO, M. D.

ORGANIZATION, 1941-1942

School	Teacher	Appointed
Grammar: V-VIII	— Florence E. Bothwell	1897
Primary: I-IV	— Ethel M. Braman	1907
Music: I-VIII	— Elizabeth S. Hagar	1940
Drawing: I-VIII	— Winifred M. Bond	1941

SUMMARY OF REGISTERS, 1941-1942

Grades	Total Mem.	Ave. Mem.	Ave. Attend.	% of Attend.
I-IV	37	31	29	93
V-VIII	31	28	26	94
Totals	68	59	55	94

ENROLLMENT, Fall Term, 1942

Grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Sp.	Total
Boys	4		6	4	5	5	3	2	2	31
Girls	1	1	5	1	3	2	3	4		20
Totals	5	1	11	5	8	7	6	6	2	51

REGISTRATION OF MINORS

October 1, 1942

Children in Oakham	Boys	Girls	Total
5 to 7 years of age	3	6	9
7 to 16 years of age	31	21	52
Totals	34	27	61

GRAMMAR SCHOOL GRADUATES

June, 1942

Nancy Regina Benedict
Eva Flora Grimes
Edna Elizabeth Kowal
Dorothy Louise Leno
Albert Joseph Rock
Vivian Mae Showalter
Eugenia Blanche Sieczkarski
Robert Ludwick Szczuka
Ralph Edgar Wilbur
Ronald Warren Wilkins

HONOR ROLL

Mitchell Benedict
Elizabeth Kowal
Chester Showalter

1943
189
45 F.E.B, 1943
1909
36 E.M.B

TOWN WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Worcester, ss.

To either of the constables of the town of Oakham, in the County of Worcester,

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Oakham qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, known as "Memorial Hall," on Monday, the first day of February next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1—To hear the annual report of the several town officers, and act thereon.

Article 2—To choose one Selectman, one Town Clerk, one Assessor, one member of Welfare Board for three years, one member of School Committee, one Library Trustee, one Cemetery Committee for three years, Collector of Taxes, Treasurer, Auditor, Tree Warden, six Constables, 3 Fence Viewers, and Moderator for one year, all on one ballot.

The polls will be open at ten o'clock in the forenoon and may be closed at two o'clock in the afternoon. Business meeting at two P. M.

Article 3—To choose all necessary town officers and committees for the ensuing year, not required to be elected by ballot.

Article 4—To see what compensation the town will allow the Selectmen, Treasurer, Collector, Auditor and Constables for the ensuing year.

Article 5—To see what compensation the town will allow for men and trucks in repairing highways and opening roads for the ensuing year.

Article 6—To see if the town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to bond their Treasurer and Collector and Town Clerk.

Article 7—To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the following town charges: SCHOOLS, TOWN OFFICERS, PUBLIC WELFARE, OLD AGE ASSISTANCE, TOWN OFFICERS' SUPPLIES, STREET LIGHTS, INSPECTION OF CATTLE, INSPECTION OF MEATS AND PROVISIONS, POLICE, PRINTING, MEMORIAL DAY, DOG OFFICER, SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES, MISCELLANEOUS, LIBRARY, CEMETERIES, FIRE DEPARTMENT, INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL, SOLDIERS' RELIEF, MOTH SUPPRESSION, EMPLOYEES' INSURANCE, RESERVE FUND, FIRE INSURANCE, OPENING ROADS, ROADS CHAPTER 81, MOTHERS' AID, CARE OF HALL, TREE WARDEN.

Article 8—To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow during the current financial year, in anticipation of the revenue of said year, such sums of money as may be necessary for the current expenses of the town, giving the note or notes of the town therefor, these notes to be paid from the revenues of said financial year

Article 9—To see if the town will appoint some person as agent, to prosecute and defend all suits that may be brought for or against the town in the ensuing year.

Article 10—To see if the town will employ some person or persons to care for the Town Hall, and Library Building for the ensuing year.

Article 11—To see if the town will raise and appropriate one quarter of insurance on old Town Hall.

Article 12—To see if the town will vote to transfer a certain sum of money from the Machinery Fund to the Machinery Account.

Article 13—To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a certain sum of money for the improvement of the Turnpike Road, said money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County or both for this purpose, or pass any vote relative thereto.

Article 14—To see if the town will raise and appropriate a certain sum of money for Chapter 90 Maintenance.

Article 15—To see if the town will vote to accept any Trust Funds that may be left to the town for the care of cemeteries or other purposes.

Article 16—To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to improve the Wright Memorial Park or take a vote relative thereto.

Article 17—To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the improvement of the Spencer Road, said money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County or both for this purpose or pass any vote relative thereto.

Article 18—To see if the town will vote to let the Assessors use what free cash the Commissioner will allow to reduce the tax rate.

Article 19—To see if the town will vote to accept the provision of Section 69, Chapter 152 of the General Laws, Ter. Ed., as amended by Chapter 435 of the Acts of the Year 1939, providing for the payments of Workman's Compensation to injured employees of the town.

Article 20—To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Oakham Civilian Defense Committee or pass any vote relative thereto.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies in public places in said town seven days at least before time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hand this sixteenth day of January, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-two.

SYLVESTER R. DEAN
JOHN MORAN
DONALD RUTHERFORD
Board of Selectmen

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